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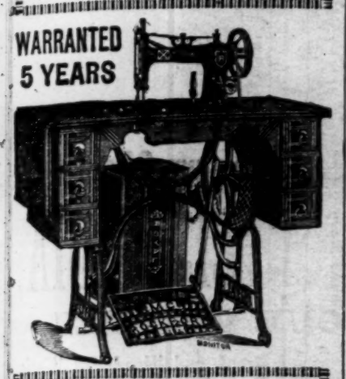

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The much-vaunted "Flying Scotchman" express train between London and Edinburgh, in Great Britain, is still regarded by many persons as the fastest regularly scheduled train in the world. This, however, is a mistake, the speed of the "Scotchman" having been excelled by several railroads in this country, notably by the New York Central, whose "Empire State Express" between New York and Buffalo has, until within a few days, claimed the title of the fastest regular train in the world. This celebrated train runs from New York to Buffalo, distance of 440 miles, in eight hours and forty minutes, which is at the rate of seventy-one seconds to each mile, or fifty and two-third miles per hour. Deducting all stops the average running time of this train is fifty-two and two-thirds miles per hour.

Now, however, comes a new claimant for high speed honors. It has been discovered that the Reading Railroad's 3:3 train from Philadelphia to Atlantic City, known as the "Seventy Minute Flyer", is actually the fastest regularly scheduled passenger train in the world. The distance from Chestnut street wharf to the Camden terminus of the railroad is about a mile and a half, and the ferry boat trip and transfer of the passengers from the boat to the cars occupies ten minutes. This leaves sixty minutes for the railroad, and that is precisely the time allowed by the schedule to cover the fifty-five and a half miles which intervene between the Camden depot and the station at Atlantic City. A little figuring will show that this is a speed of sixty-five seconds to the mile, or the rate of fifty-five and a half miles per hour, beating the former record six seconds per mile and almost five miles per hour.

It should be understood that this refers to the speed of regularly scheduled trains over the entire length of their scheduled runs, and not to mere phenomenal bursts of speed or stretches of fast running to make up lost time or delays. The rate of fifty-five and a half miles is exceeded every day on the Reading Railroad, and possibly on some other line, but on no railroad in the world, so far as known, is there a train run from end to end of its route at so great an average speed as that of the "Seventy Minute Flyer."

When the latter was established it was not with the purpose of breaking a record, but the officials were confident of their ability to run a train safely and promptly on the specified time or less if required. It was not planned, however, to limit the train to six miles to insure quickness. This was found to be impracticable, and for more than a week the train has been carrying freight cars, including one or more heavy Pullmans, and making schedule time every trip.

President McLeod can now congratulate himself that his road holds the "world's record" for the fastest mile (38 4-5 seconds, as timed August 27, 1892, by President McLeod, Mr. William Sargent of the Philadelphia Record, and others), and also has upon its time table the fastest regular train in the world.

New Hampshire was named from Hampshire county, in England, by John Mason of the Plymouth Company, to whom the territory was originally granted by the English Government.

In England alone more than ten million oil lamps are used nightly. They cause three hundred deaths annually, and in London alone one hundred and fifty-six fires in a single year have been traced to them.

EDUCATIONAL.

In Japan they teach children to write with either hand.

There are 465,000 school children in England's metropolis.

Egypt has an elaborate school system, the annual reports of which are full of interest.

France has 26,000 school buildings and one of the best systems of normal schools in the world.

The oldest college in Chile is the "Instituto Nacional," which received its charter from the King of Spain more than 100 years ago.

Tufts College, Massachusetts, admits women on an equal footing with men in the divinity school as well as in the academic department.

The United States spends over $170,000,000 a year on its schools not including over $10,000,000 annually spent in its colleges and universities.

One of the features of instruction in the Lasalle Seminary, Massachusetts, is a three years' course in cooking. It is free of extra cost to the pupils.

Without including the recently established training colleges there are now in England and Wales forty-one institutions at which candidates for the elementary school profession are trained and boarded.

A London superintendent lately pronounced the schools of New Zealand among the best in the world, and the reports from the schools of that, till lately barbarous, country show phenomenal changes.

Athens has a magnificent academy building of Pentelican marble, costing $1,000,000, given by a wealthy Greek merchant, Sina by name, and has a well-equipped university with a complete school system beside.

There are 800 primary schools in Chile with an average attendance of 170,000 children. About ten years ago Congress appropriated $150,000 to introduce the best method of teaching and to that end sent a learned professor to the United States and various parts of Europe to study the systems of those countries and decided upon the most successful.

Mrs. F. M. Atkinson, of the *Woman's Journal* says: "The year 1892 marked an epoch in the history of the higher education of women. Six noble institutions that year opened their doors to women. Four of these, hoary St. Andrews, Brown, Tufts and young Chicago, now admit women to all their courses and honors; two—Yale and the University of Pennsylvania — opened [illegible]"

THIS WEEK'S NEWS.

A Summary of Current Events—The World's Doings for the Past Six Days Gathered and Condensed for Our Readers.

General.

Bubear, the English champion oarsman, now wants to row Hanlon.

Mrs. Blaine, assisted by Gail Hamilton, will write the life of James G. Blaine.

The Ammen ram Katahdin was launched at Bath, Me., on Saturday last.

The first division in the British parliament resulted in a Gladstonian majority of 87.

Jack Clifford, the Homestead striker on trial for murder, will try to prove an alibi.

United States troops have captured Manuel Gonzales, a Mexican border bandit.

Painters in Reading, Pa., have demanded an advance of 25 cents per day in wages.

Francis Murphy, the temperance apostle, proposes a big church for all workingmen in Pittsburg.

Mrs. Frank Leslie refused to affirm or deny the report that she had taken steps to secure a divorce from Willie Wilde.

The First National Bank of Little Rock, Ark., has failed for $800,000, the money having been taken by the officers.

Jack Dempsey, the former champion middleweight, will enter the ring again and fight Billy Keogh at Portland, Ore.

John W. Lauterbach ended his life by jumping out of a fifth story window in New York, owing to business troubles.

A $950,000 building stories high, is to be erected on Broadway, New York, by the Manhattan Life Insurance Company.

Resentence to electrocution has been pronounced on James J. Hamilton, the colored ex minister and wife killer of Winfield, N. Y.

A counterfeit silver dollar has been discovered in Salt Lake City that defies detection. It is of standard silver throughout, and the makers are 35 cents ahead on every one they float.

The prospect of a reconciliation between Prince Bismarck and Emperor William is better than before in the last two years. The ex-Chancellor is growing old, and wishes to die at peace with all the world.

A family consisting of Morris Cohen, his wife, Sophia, and their baby, Esther, were suffocated by a fire at their home in New York. Three other persons were badly injured, Annie Goldberg, Jacob Cohen, and Pauline Goldberg.

President Harrison had a number of consultations with members of his Cabinet on Hawaiian matters, and subsequently sent to the Senate the treaty and correspondence relating thereto, which was attempted to be negotiated in 1854.

The band of old Sioux Chief Two Strike, in South Dakota, have rebelled against the Indian police, and killed five white men, and an Indian uprising is feared. The Indians raided stock at Humphrey's ranch, and ambushed the pursuing cowboys. The Indians were pursued by the Indian police, and several of them killed.

Baron Hershell, in a speech in the British House of Lords, said that Britain's greatest danger was the prospect of dispute with America in which the hostility of Irishmen aggravated the situation, and he urged England "to satisfy the just aspirations of the Irish people."

President Harrison has sent to the Senate a message on the subject of the favored transportation by Canadian railroads of merchandise into this country. His conclusions are that the regulations should be made stricter, and that it is the power and duty of Congress to pass the needed laws.

The Lucania, the new steamer of the Cunard line, has been launched at Govan, near Glasgow. She is twenty feet longer and seven feet broader than the Teutonic or Majestic, her water length being 625 feet. She is nearly as large as the once famous Great Eastern, and much more powerful and capacious.

It is announced that the Pennsylvania Railroad are preparing to ship the entire coal output from Nanticoke and vicinity, to New York, via the Central Railroad of New Jersey, via Philipsburg, thence to Belvidere division to Trenton and on to New York. The new route is 120 miles shorter than by the main line.

John Dillon, the Irish leader, in a speech at Burnley, deprecated the attempt to force the amnesty question on the Government in the present crisis. The prospect that amnesty would be granted to all Irish political prisoners, he said, had calmed agitation, and the Irish people were now in a mood to wait with this question until the more important matter of Home Rule was disposed of.

One of the most remarkable cases of early marriage has just been made public. Miss Mattie Edmoud, or rather Mrs. Glardon, as she is now, has just been legally made a wife, in Belleville, Ill., although but 13 years and 7 months old. Last week Mattie came to the conclusion she was old enough to marry, in reaching which she was greatly aided by the solicitations of her devoted lover, Mr. Glardon, who is in his 16th year. As both mothers consented to the union, it was legally and duly made during a short trip to Illinois.

Senatorial deadlocks continue in North Dakota and Montana.

Mrs. James G. Blaine will recuperate her health in the South.

The New York legislature will undertake to fix the cost of coal.

Hundreds of head of live stock died from the recent blizzard in Kansas.

Ex-Gov. Robinson, of Massachusetts, has been retained as counsel for Lizzie Borden.

The trial of the pneumatic guns of the Vesuvius has been very successful at Port Royal, S. C.

Cotton planters have been called to Memphis, Tenn., on February 22 to discuss a reduction in acreage.

"Rocky Mountain Jack" Ward and Jack Van Scoy have been killed in a snow slide at Emerald Mine, Colorado.

For $500 Casper Crump, of St. Louis, bought $7,200 in green goods and found it transformed to papers and brickbats.

With a dirk a Cherokee boomer near Topeka, Kan., fatally cut John Powers and his son, who caught him stealing hay.

Governor Werts, it is said, will appoint ex Governor Abbett to the Supreme Court vacancy created by Justice Scudder's death.

Jim Corbett and John L. Sullivan met in a coach on the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad and had a long and friendly chat.

Stricken with paralysis and unable to call for help, hotelkeeper W. A. Eby, of Shamokin, Pa., was frozen to death within sight of his home Sunday night.

Martin Foy, jr., was sentenced at Ballston, N. Y., to be electrocuted at Dannemora on March 13 for the murder of Henrietta Wilson, his Philadelphia wife.

The City of Pekin, twenty-seven days out from Yokohama, has arrived at San Francisco, being twelve days overdue, having broken her shaft when 1,100 miles from her port of destination.

Mr. Edward Parker Deacon has been granted a divorce by a French court, his wife having acknowledged that her charges of cruelty against him were false and allowing the court in Paris to give him the decree.

Requisition papers from Governor Werts were received by Sheriff West, of Philadelphia, for George Morris, colored, who is in the Moyamensing Prison, on a charge of committing a murder in Camden. They were forwarded to Governor Pattison.

President Harrison has nominated Judge Howell Edmunds Jackson, of Tennessee, to succeed the late Justice Lamar on the United States Supreme Court bench. Judge Jackson is a Democrat, and was appointed Circuit Judge of Tennessee by President Cleveland.

Sir Edward Grey, Parliamentary Secretary of the Foreign Office replying to a question in the House of Commons, said that the British Government had made no protest at Washington regarding Hawaii and considered the lives and property of British subjects perfectly safe under American protection.

In the speech from the throne opening the Norwegian Parliament, King Oscar promised that the bills would be introduced providing for the granting of pensions to those persons employed in the military and civil services; limiting the hours of labor, and establishing sick and accident insurance for workmen.

The argument for a new trial for Carlyle W. Harris, set down before Recorder Smyth in the Court of General Sessions in New York, was, by the mutual consent of counsel, postponed until Monday next. The father and friends of Helen Potts are prepared to make a bitter fight against Harris securing a new trial.

The Treasury has issued a statement giving the amounts of gold and silver coins, certificates, United States notes, and national bank notes in circulation showing that on February 1 the total circulation was $1,607,958,439, being a net decrease during January of $2,725,435. The circulation per capita is stated at $24 23, based on an aggregate population of 66,349,000.

A new telephone company has been chartered at Chicago with $80,000,000 capital to work under the Harrison patent. The Harrison patent was some time ago involved in a lawsuit with the Bell Telephone Company. The case was hotly contested before the supreme court of the United States, and was the first in which the Bell company ever suffered defeat. The new system will transmit facsimile of the handwriting instead of the voice.

Henry Smith, a negro, who outraged and murdered the 4-year-old daughter of Henry Vance, a white man, against whom he had a grudge, was captured from the sheriff's posse by a mob of 20,000 excited men. A rope was thrown around his neck and he was dragged from the train and hurried to the scene of his crime. All along the route he was pelted with missiles, struck by fists and otherwise maltreated. He was tied to a stake, and after being subjected to every conceivable torture he was cremated amid the howling of the mob. Gov. Hogg announces his purpose to secure the punishment of the mob leaders.

A live electric wire became wrapped around Leonard Figg, a colored man, and he was electrocuted, his head being nearly burned off.

Princess Kaiulani, the heiress apparent to the Hawaiian throne, is at school in England in a strictly secret place, as assassination is feared.

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NOTHING TO FEAR.

The BEE has always maintained that the election of a democratic President would not make the condition of the negroes in this country any worse. No one can say that the last democratic administration affected the negroes to any extent.

It is true that a few republican office holders were removed but, what of that? The BEE is free to admit that the democratic administration kept more colored republicans in office than the republican administration kept colored democrats in. There was a disposition on the part of some of the chiefs to turn out every colored man who had democratic proclivities. One of the most outrageous acts that was committed on a negro was the removal of H. C. Smith, of Tennessee, because he refused to support a certain white republican for Congress.

No colored man with independent thoughts was allowed to retain his place; but, white democrats on the other hand were promoted. It makes no difference, so far as the negro is concerned who is President; our advice to him is to let politics alone; and "put money in his purse."

IT MAKES NO DIFFERANCE

There has been a great deal said about the nomination, by the President of Judge Jackson, on the supreme bench. What has the negro got to do with it? The Supreme Court has always been republican and the first act that was done by that legal body was to declare the civil rights bill unconstitutional.

It makes no difference whether Judge Jackson is a states rights Judge or not. It will not help the cause of the negroes in this country to oppose him nor will it do them any good to favor him.

"Put money in thy purse and education in thy brains."

There will be two factions in the emancipation celebration. When will the colored race unite?

As a rule women on account of their sedentary occupations, suffer far more from headache than men and for some reason not so obvious they are more frequently the victims of earache. To all those who are slaves either to the one or the other we would heartly commend and recommend Salvation Oil, the unfailing cure for headache backache, earache, and all other bodily pains. Price 25 cents.

Miss Lucy Moten who spent some time in the South gives a beautiful picture of that place as to the treatment of colored people.

The BEE is here to stay.

Ingratude is the worse curse that a person could have.

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Lookout for our new dress.

Subscribers will please pay up.

Promises will not run a newspaper.

A good compositor is wanted at this office.

Patronize your own institutions.

Free notices with all job work done at this office.

More unity will strengthen the race.

The colored people are too prejudice to themselves.

Read the BEE next week.

Mr. Poe should take a back seat as he is not the recognized paesident of the emancipation.

Disband street parades.

THEY SAY.

Col. Murrell is making it warm for the negro who wants the legislature of New Jersey to discriminate against the colored people.

The people of this city have been imposed upon long enough.

Be careful how you talk.

The Exodus of office holders will begin after March the 4th.

Astwood will go to Hayti.

McCant Stewart of New York will be brought to Washington.

Ross of Iowa will succeed Mr. Lynch.

A prominent colored democrat, by the name of H. C. Smith, of Tenn. will succeed Terrell.

J. Milton Turner will go to Liberia if he so desires.

There are but a few colored democrats in this city.

Those who are here will demand more than they will get.

Col. J. W. Douglass has given entire satisfaction to the people.

The colored people should keep out of the courts and follow business enterprises.

The success of all races is money and education.

Let us have peace in the emancipation.

Will street parades ever cease?

The nomination of Judge Jackson is the President's choice.

Every man has a right to his own choice.

President Harrison always thinks wisely before he acts.

Never condemn a man until you have a cause to do so.

Never become disappointed in this age.

This is an age of surprises.

Don't fail to attend the concert of Madame Sissieretta Jones.

George Martin, the veteran ticket seller, has disposed of over 1,000 tickets.

The advertisement will be found in another column.

There will be another paper started in this city.

It will be baptised in the baptis faith.

Such a paper ought to be a success.

The Y. M. C. A. will have the Marine band on the 23rd.

Some of the best known talent in the country will also appear at this great concert.

Read advertisement in another column.

Never say anything to a quarrel some woman when her steam is up if you want to vex her.

Some men are as quarrelsome as women.

Madame Jones made her appearance before Mrs. Whitney, before she died.

She is the greatest of the age.

Ex-President Cleveland and President Harrison were more than elated at hearing her.

Mr. George Martin, who has the concert in charge, declares that over 2,000 people will greet the distinguished artist.

Hurrah for the Marine Band.

It deserved the victory that it achieved this week.

First class job work done at the office at the very lowest cash price.

Wedding invitations a specialty

Notice the circular of the Madam Jones concert and inspect our work.

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The Greatest Colored singer of her race will give a grand Star Concert at Metropolitan A. M. E. church, Friday evening Feb. 24th 93, at 8 o'clock p. m. Tickets at Ellis' music Store, 937 Pa. avenue. Admission to all parts of the house 35 Cents.

INAUGURATION RUSH.

At Least Half a Million People Will Be in Washington.

It has been estimated by the Washington sub-committee on entertainment that there will be 500,000 people to be taken care of during the inauguration of Cleveland on March 4th. As Washington's population is over 200,000 less than that, a serious question is whether more than half of these people can find sleeping rooms. The local managers declare that they can find beds for every one, and already they have on their books quarters for about 200,000 persons. The inauguration ball is being prepared for on a scale of unprecedented grandeur. It will be held in the Pension Building.

TRUST TO BUILD HUGE WORKS.

Nine Glass Factories to be Abandoned for a Single Plant.

The United Glass Company is to build great works at Alexandria, Ind., where it has secured the natural gas franchise on several thousand acres of land, and will transfer to it everything movable in the factories at Bowling Green, Zanesville and Ravenna, O.; Wellsboro and Blossburg, Pa.; Durhamville, Dunbarton, Burnhart's Bay and Clyde, N. Y., afterward abandoning them. One huge tank-house furnace will be erected this year, and another next year, and the town will be made as soon as possible the center of the company's industries.

Battle Royal With Hogs.

A dispatch from Snow, Md., relates that County Commissioner Gillis and his neighbors had a battle royal with a herd of forty hogs who had lived wild in the swamps for two years. They strayed into an inclosure Thursday and Friday, and Saturday, assisted by a pack of dogs, the hunters enjoyed the sport. The hogs fought desperately, killing two dogs and ripping open one horse. All the hunters were mounted. Twenty-seven hogs were killed and twenty escaped by vaulting over a ten-foot fence.

Tampering With Ohio Militia.

It is reported that the labor organizations of Ohio are carrying out a plan to cripple the State militia so far as its usefulness in suppressing strikes is concerned. Circulars are being sent to every workman in the ranks of the militia, alleging that the organization is controlled by corporations and the enemies of labor. It is believed the movement is in anticipation of serious strikes on May 1st.

Dr. Parkhurst's Agent.

The trial of Agent Gardner, of the Society for the Prevention of Crime, was concluded in New York this week. The evidence was very clear that Gardner had not only taken money for protecting disorderly houses, but freely consorted with criminals. Gardner has been superseded as special agent of Dr. Parkhurst's society by Capt. Alex. Wishart, for many years agent of the Law and Order Societies at Pittsburg, Pa., and Newark, N. J.

Trying to Save Harris.

The new evidence in the Carlyle Harris case is furnished by Lawyer Van Buren, of Kingston, N. Y., who claims to have proof that Helen Potts was a morphine eater. It is stated that the principal of the Fifth Avenue private school where Miss Potts attended is ready to testify that Miss Potts used both morphine and opium, and repeatedly threatened to kill herself when dissatisfied with the school or reprimanded for misconduct.

Shooting Game in Yellowstone Park.

It is reported that Indians are leaving the reservations in Wyoming to hunt in the Yellowstone National Park, and are slaughtering buffalo, elk and deer in great quantities for their skins. Heavy snows and cold weather makes game easy to approach, and the Indians are taking advantage of it. There will probably be trouble for the savage sportsmen.

Now Mitchell is Coming.

Charley Mitchell, the English pugilist, has been discharged from the Pentonville Prison, London. He weighs 147 pounds, having lost twenty-two pounds during the two months of his incarceration. He is in excellent health and spirits, and will sail for America in a few days. He can fight in four weeks, he says, and is confident he can defeat Champion Corbett.

An Annexation Straw.

A large political meeting was held at Essex, Ontario, Canada, to discuss the future of Canada. At the close of several speeches a vote was taken and resulted as follows: To remain in statu quo, 21; independence, 12; imperial federation, 3; political union with the United States, 413.

To Preserve Blaine's Birthplace.

The Pittsburg *Times* calls upon the admirers of Mr. Blaine in Western Pennsylvania to do something to preserve the place where he was born. It says the house still stands in Brownsville, but is fast going to decay through neglect. A movement has been set on foot to take action in the matter.

Prof. Smith Sustained.

The Lane Seminary trustees at Cincinnati sustained Professor Henry P. Smith, who was recently tried for heresy. The trustees declared vacant the chair occupied by Rev. W. H. Roberts, Professor Smith's chief opponent.

Gray Indorsed for the Cabinet.

The Democratic Editorial Association of Indiana, at its annual meeting at Indianapolis, adopted a resolution highly eulogizing Gov. Gray and recommending him for a Cabinet position by a unanimous vote.

Trouble is Feared in Egypt.

Lord Cromer, the British Minister to Egypt, has telegraphed to London that it may be necessary to land all the troops that have been ordered to go to that country.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

EVENTS OF INTEREST IN CONGRESS AND THE DEPARTMENTS.

Work of Congress.

The silver question was brought up in the Senate on motion of Senator Hill, of New York, to take up the bill of the Finance Committee to stop silver purchases on the first of January next. The motive was defeated on a vote of 42 nays to 23yeas.——Much of the time of the Senate was taken up in a secret session considering the extradition treaties with France and Sweden. Both were approved.——The Hawaiian question was incidentally debated.

The anti-option bill has largely occupied the time of the House. The test votes taken indicate that a majority is in favor of it. It was referred to the Agricultural Committee.——The Sundry civil bill was passed by the House. An interesting debate arose over a provision that hereafter no part of money appropriated to pay any fees to the United States Commissioners, Marshals or clerks, shall be used for any warrant issued or arrest made under the laws relating to the election of members of Congress, unless the prosecution has been commenced upon a sworn complaint setting forth the facts constituting the offense and alleging them to be within the personal knowledge of the affiant. During the debate Mr. Fitch, of New York, admitted that John I. Davenport, of New York, was aimed at, and that the Federal Election laws were to be repealed from beginning to end.——The Indian appropriation bill, aggregating $17,500,000, was considered.——A bill was passed appropriating $50,000 for an exhibit at the World's Fair of the progress of the colored race.——The House passed the deficiency appropriation bill.——Thursday and Friday were set by the House for the bill repealing the Sherman silver purchase act. No action upon it is now probable.

The anti-option bill passed the Senate by a vote of 40 to 29. Various amendments were voted down by an even stronger ballot.

Monday marked the beginning of the last four weeks of the 52d Congress, and the announcements already made promise an exceedingly lively legislative week. The subjects include such measures as the bills for the repeal of the silver purchase act, for the establishment of a national quarantine, to prevent dealings in futures (the anti-option bill) and for the establishment of a general bankrupt law. No action on any of these measures is likely to be reached this week, but the debate is proceeding in a lively manner.

Notes.

Fifty thousand people enjoyed skating on the Central Park lake, New York, on Sunday.

Both houses of Congress are said to be practically in favor of annexing the Hawaiian islands.

A guard has been set over Blaine's grave in Oak Hill Cemetery to protect it from vandals.

There are signs that Judge Jackson's confirmation may not be accomplished without a struggle.

The Hawaiian Commissioners are taking things easy at Washington, awaiting further instructions from Honolulu.

The President has announced that he will make no more consular appointments during the remainder of his term.

Professor Goldwin Smith is in Washington advocating the annexation of Canada. Erastus Wiman advocates commercial union.

Rev. Byron Sunderland, D. D., of the First Presbyterian Church, Washington, D. C., has just completed his fortieth year of service there.

In an interview at Lakewood, N. J., Congressman W. L. Wilson stated that he did not think that a silver bill would pass the present session of Congress.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Minister, went to the State Department yesterday and in person handed the British Bering Sea counter-case to Secretary Foster.

The Hawaiian Commissioners attract much attention in Washington. They say they do not want an American protectorate but annexation as a state of the Union.

The Baptist Conference, of Missouri, has protested to the President against courtesies shown by the Treasury Department to Mgr. Satolli when he arrived from Europe.

Paymaster J. C. Sullivan has been ordered to settle accounts and consider himself on furlough for having, while serving on the Mohican in Bering Sea, expressed himself as favoring Great Britain's side of the dispute.

The present sentiment of Congress in regard to Hawaii is shown by a poll that gives thirty-five in the Senate for a protectorate, twenty in favor of annexation and three non-committal. In the House eighty-three favor annexation, forty-six are against it and seventy-seven are non committal.

NELLIE GRANT'S HUSBAND DEAD.

He Embittered the Life of Gen. Grant's Favorite Child.

A dispatch from London states that Algernon Charles Frederic Sartoris, who married Nellie Grant, died Friday last at Capri, Italy. The married life of Mr. and Mrs. Sartoris was not a happy one, owing to the husband's habits. The wedding, which occurred in the East Room of the White House, on May 21, 1874, was a most brilliant one, but soon after Mr. and Mrs. Sartoris had taken up their life at his home in England, rumors of their incompatibility came to this side, which were finally followed by the separation of husband and wife, through no fault of hers. Mr. Sartoris' father, who was a wealthy Englishman, so respected his son's wife that in his will he left his fortune to her, and only an annuity for his son. It was provided, however, that the children should be educated in England. The husband and wife had not lived together for several years.

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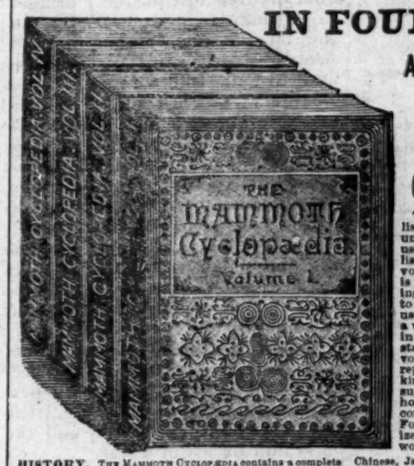

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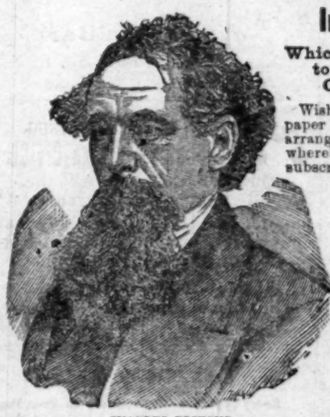

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Death of Mrs. Whitney.

Mrs. Wm. C. Whitney, wife of the ex-Secretary of the Navy, died in New York of heart disease on Sunday last. She was a daughter of ex-Senator Payne, of Ohio, and was widely known as a social leader. Her tact, generosity and kindness were notable, and gave her great popularity.

The funeral was held at St. Bartholomew's church on Wednesday morning. The pall-bearers were President-elect Grover Cleveland, Cornelius Vanderbilt, George Peabody Wetmore, E. Randolph Robinson, H. McK. Twombley, George H. Bend, George G. Havens, Thomas S. Cushing, Buchanan Winthrop and Edward A. Wickes.

Justice Scudder Dead.

Edward W. Scudder, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of New Jersey, died suddenly of apoplexy at his home, in Trenton, on the 31 inst. He had presided in the Mercer Circuit Court all day, and was in good health apparently. Just before retiring he went to the bath-room to bathe, and there he was stricken. He managed to summon the members of his family, but died before the physician arrived. He was 70 years of age.

To Abolish the House of Lords.

Mr. Henry Labouchere intends to introduce in Parliament two bills directed against the House of Lords. One bill provides that hereditary membership of the House of Lords shall be abolished by 1895, and that the members of both the House of Lords and the House of Commons shall be selected by the people. The other is designed to enable peers to be elected to the House of Commons on condition that they renounce on behalf of themselves and their heirs all claims as hereditary legislators.

Ferdinand Ward a Printer.

Ferdinand Ward appeared in the Produce Exchange, New York, this week and created a flutter of excitement among the brokers. He was neatly but quietly dressed and did not show any of the ill effects of his long confinement. He called on two or three brokers who were old acquaintances and left his business card, showing that he had connected himself with an uptown printing and stationery firm.

Richmond Terminal Again.

It is reported in New York that the scheme to reorganize the Richmond Terminal system has been revived, and Drexel, Morgan & Co. will make an immediate examination of the property with a view to rehabilitating the system, which includes some 8,800 miles of railroad. The scheme involves the issue of some $300,000,000 of securities.

Surprising the Politicians.

Governor Werts again created a surprise among the politicians at Trenton by sending to the Senate the name of a Republican, as a member of the State Board of Assessors. The name was included in a list of nominations, and is that of General Bird W. Spencer, who is now President of the State Board of Assessors. He is now a member of the Board, and was appointed by Governor Green.

To Build a Cup Defender.

Gen. Paine, of Boston, the noted yachtsman, and owner of the America cup winners Mayflower and Volunteer, will build a new yacht at Lawley's yard, Boston, for the honor of contesting as the cup defender this year. Gen. Paine is probably the shrewdest builder and handler of yachts living.

Railroad Rates to the World's Fair.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Trunk Line Association, in New York, it was agreed to sell round-trip tickets to and from the World's Fair at a 20 per cent. reduction from the present rates, with one stop over in each direction.

Jersey's 10,000 Corporations.

The records in the Secretary of State's office at Trenton show that the number of corporations now in existence in New Jersey is over 10,000, from which $468,821.86 was paid in the way of tax. The Sugar Trust paid last year $7,379.30.

Senator Hill's Plans.

Senator Hill's latest visit to Albany has excited much gossip. The latest rumor is to the effect that it relates to the enlargement of the Erie Canal, and that he is likely to urge upon Congress the importance of undertaking the work.

A Grecian Earthquake.

The Island of Zante, one of the Ionian Islands, was badly shaken by several shocks of earthquake, buildings being thrown down and many people killed and injured.

A Railroad Deal.

The Connecticut River Railroad has been leased by the Boston & Maine for ninety-nine years and President McLeod of the Reading system is in possession.

The Offer Declined.

Governor Boies, of Iowa, has declined the Cabinet portfolio of Secretary of Agriculture tendered him by President-elect Cleveland.

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THE FUN WAS SPOILED.

How a Good Story Was Ruined By Impertinent Interference.

The ways of the professional men are hard, and the comedian has anything but a jovial time. I ran across a comedian the other night—one who has the reputation of being particularly funny, looking sad and down in the mouth generally.

"Well, Joe," I exclaimed, "what's the matter? You look as if your last aunt had cut you off without a shilling or you'd lost your engagement, or——"

"Nothing's the matter. I've only made a great fool of myself. I'll never tell another story as long as I live. I have found out at last that I'm nothing but a bore."

I remembered that a few evenings before a small party of us were gathered in Joe's room in an up-town hotel listening for hours to his anecdotes, experiences and dialect stories given in his inimitable style, and when twelve o'clock came we ordered another round of drinks and made Joe talk until almost morning.

"I'm sure you couldn't possibly be that," I demurred.

"Take my advice," said he; "never tell a story when you're asked to do so. That's a sure sign that somebody has been cracking you up. You can't possibly be funny on tap. There's my manager. He went around to these friends of his saying, 'Boys, you just ought to hear Joe C—— tell a story. You never heard his equal. His stories are screamingly funny. You'll be so tickled to hear him once that you'd mortgage your grandmother to hear him again. Jingo, but he's great.'

"Well, I went with him to-night to see these people. You see I couldn't refuse, he's my manager. We had hardly entered the room when he began, 'You see I've brought Joe. Joe, tell them that story about how the body wasn't found. It'll tickle your midriff till you can't sit straight.' Well, I had to tell it, but you know such a wet blanket would spoil any story. Pretty soon, when I got to an interesting point, Brown, who all the time had been grinning in expectation, says, 'Why, Joe, that ain't the way you told it last night.' I said to him, 'Of course, I never tell it twice alike.' Pretty soon I set it going again, and then came another punch from Brown. 'That isn't the way it goes. Don't you know, the tramp had just asked for that——'

"Then I started out again, madder than a wet hen, but kept a stiff upper lip, and when I got to the end there wasn't so much as a smile, for Brown had killed it by cold douches, as he remarked:

"'Oh, you just ought to hear Dick Weatherby tell that story!'"

The funny man thrust his hands into his pockets with a despondent air, and a look, half of melancholy, half of resentment, chased the sickly smile on his rugged, weatherbeaten countenance.

He Ran Well.

In a certain rural parish in Scotland a bachelor minister had for housekeeper a buxom maiden of forty summers, named Janet. Janet had a sweetheart that she regularly treated to the good things of the manse when opportunity offered, such occasions generally being when the minister had to leave home in discharge of his duties.

On one occasion the minister had to take a journey by rail, and he informed his housekeeper of the event a day or two previously, saying that he would return by the last train at night. Such a chance was not to be lost, and Janet invited her lover to partake of a cup of tea at the manse in the evening, as she would feel very lonesome by herself. Unfortunately, however, events transpired by which the minister would be able to return home by an earlier train, and on his departure he informed her of the fact.

The manse was about a mile from the station, and it so happened that by the change in the hour of his return the minister and Janet's sweetheart would arrive about the same time. To give her lover warning was out of the question, and Janet had, therefore, to let events take their course. Nevertheless, when the appointed hour drew nigh she became very restless, and latterly sallied forth in hopes of meeting her lover, whom she would hurry forward and secrete before the divine's return.

The deepening shades of night were rendering everything indistinct when, at a turn of the lane that led up to the manse, Janet was confronted by a figure, evidently that of her admiring swain. Seizing him by the arm, she exclaimed:

"Rin, noo, ye deevil! He'll be here enoo!"

Without a word her companion commenced running alongside his fair companion, who kept up a pace that evidently told upon the lungs of her male companion. Presently the back door of the manse was reached, and disengaging his arm, the voice of the minister sounded in the servant's ears:

"Really, noo, Janet, have na I run weel?"

Novel Instrument of Death.

According to tradition, Kenith, the legendary king of Scotland, was allured to his death in a most novel manner. Kenith had slain a son and brother of Fennella, who, to be avenged, ordered Wiltus, a famous silversmith, to construct a death dealing statue of silver.

In its right hand the statue held a basin and in the left an apple of pure gold, both set with diamonds and other precious stones. To touch the apple was to defy death, it being so arranged that one guilty of such vandalism would be immediately riddled by poisoned arrows shot from openings in the body of the statue.

Kenith was invited to inspect the wonder, and as Fennella had hoped, he tried to pluck the precious imitation fruit. But as soon as his hand touched the golden apple he was wounded by the arrows which shot out from the statue, and died where he fell.

RURAL HUMORISTS.

How a Young Man Played It High on an Unsuspecting Editor.

"You can't most always tell about these young men who do newspaper work," remarked a New York editor to a party of journalists, according to the Detroit *Free Press*.

"I had heard that they hadn't very good business ideas, however bright they might be in other respects, and I was a little careless perhaps. Anyway, once when I wanted the services of one to tone up my paper I called for specimen stuff, and from one chap in a nearby country town I received such excellent work that I invited him to come in and see me. He came and I found him an ideal humorist, and as guileless as he was ideal. I wanted a column a week and he agreed to furnish it at $25 a column, with $5 off for each joke that was not copied by some of my illustrious and esteemed cotemporaries, or he would do it for $15 straight. I snapped up the $25 proposition, for I was sure that out of a dozen or fifteen jokes and verses and gags a week certainly not more than half could be good enough to catch on all around.

"He had an idea that he was a great humorist, and I had an idea for business, and also to teach him that humility which doth so become a journalist. I signed a contract for a year on these terms and he went to work. The first week he sent in ten squibs of various lengths and they were good, but I calculated not more than half would go the rounds and I would be even. Within a week thereafter I received the Podunk *Banner* or some such paper with the entire column copied and, of course, I whacked up the $25. The next week the *Banner* copied the whole lot again, and I put up my $25 as before. Well, to make a long story short, that Podunk *Banner*, week after week, copied every squib, and at last I wrote to the *Banner* to find out who its editor was, when, lo! and behold! he was the father-in-law of my humorist, and that guileless funny man was having fun with me in a way that I despised. It was too late, however, to kick, and as he wrote good stuff I hadn't any occasion to, only I did swear at myself every now and then for not having accepted his proposition of $15 a week straight, and left to somebody else to teach humility to a great American humorist."

Easy When You Know How.

"I'll bet you fifty dollars that I can get drops of champagne out of an empty champagne bottle."

The man who made the remark was a New Orleans man, one of a group of loungers in an up-town hotel. Several looked up from their papers, and one asked:

"What's that?"

"I say I can get fifty drops of champagne out of a bottle you have drained. I'll bet any one fifty dollars that I can do it."

"I don't believe it," said another.

"Want to take me up? I'll bet five hundred dollars to your five that I can do it," and he took out a large roll of greenbacks.

"Tell us how it's done, and if we are convinced that your offer is a fair one several of us will put up twenty dollars against your hundred and furnish the champagne to boot," said a stout man who had become interested in the discussion.

"I can't tell you how it's done," answered the stranger. "This is one of the things more easily proved than explained. Where's the wine?"

Some one ordered champagne. The bottle was soom emptied, and passed around for inspection.

"Now," remarked the New Orleans man, "turn the bottle upside down for fifteen minutes till you are satisfied that there is not a drop in it, and then I will show you a simple little trick."

The bottle was duly turned up and left for a few minutes to drain. The group surveyed the man critically, as if expecting that they would be treated to a legerdemain performance.

"Now, gentleman," said the stranger, "you will see that what is apparently impossible will turn out to be a very simple matter."

Then tearing a strip about nine inches long from a newspaper he inserted it in the upturned bottle. The paper soon got damp, and gradually drop after drop of wine oozed from the end of it.

The members of the group looked as if they ought to have known this before, and yet as if they half believed they were imposed upon. The speaker continued:

"Take my advice, never offer to furnish the champagne yourself. You can generally get some fool to do it, and never explain the trick until you get the champagne."

And the expounder of the law of capillary attraction scooped in the four V's and went off chuckling.

Defective Teeth.

The physical defect of Americans in possessing bad teeth, or none at all, is declared by Dr. Woods, of Pittsburg, to be due in great measure to the faulty kind of food given to children—the importance being primarily to select food that requires mastication, as this tends to develop the gums and salivary glands, while the practice of giving too much liquid food causes narrow jaws, weakens the gums and mars physical beauty; then, too, the small, thin jaws, consequent upon a liquid diet do not furnish room enough to accommodate the teeth, even were the blood supply sufficient—the teeth, thus crowded, failing to receive adequate nourishment, a most potent cause of defect in the enamel and consequent caries. Mastication, Dr. Wood remarks, is the important point—and so true is this that, if proper care were taken of the diet of children, Americans would be physically the strongest people on earth—surpassing in development and beauty the ancient Greeks.

The Suez Canal cost $100,000,000.

SUBJECTS OF THOUGHT.

The poorest educator that teaches self-control is better than the best that neglects it.

Integrity is in taking a stand where we can stand, and keeping the feet to extend our ground.

There is nothing more precious to a man than his will; there is nothing which he relinquishes with so much reluctance.

Some souls there are like the cactus blossom, surrounded with a prickling mass of ugliness, themselves a marvel of sweetness.

Ideas are the germs of success, and good ones properly worked out will be found to constitute the difference between the successful and the unsuccessful man.

We make winter the symbol of old age and death, and think we have settled the matter; as if old age were never kindly; as if there was anything discreditable in death, or nobody had ever longed for it.

It is easy to live in the world after the world's opinion. It is easy to live in solitude after our own. But the great man is he who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of his character.

It is the glorious prerogative of the empire of knowledge, that what it gains it never loses. On the contrary, it increases by the multiple of its own power; all its ends becomes means; all its attainments help to new conquests.

He who distrusts the security of chance takes more pains to effect the safety which results from labor. To find what you seek in the road of life, the best proverb of all is that which says, "Leave no stone unturned."

It is not merely the right, it is the duty of every one competent to the task to do what in him lies to strengthen the fitful and uncertain influence of a sound intellect upon the vast and intricate jumble of conflicting opinions of the world at large.

Through more sensible living, correct estimates of the value of things we live for, correct sanitation, and an obedience to God's laws, the average of man will revert to the standard of Moses—the three score years and ten—instead of the two score years of the present.

That exaltation of faith which we call inspiration has always this expansion that includes the whole. The prophets had it, and it carried them beyond the boundaries of the provincial religion, so that God seemed unto them not the God of a single race, but of all peoples. John, the Evangelist, had it; and it led him through the conception of the everlasting Word to extend the dominion of Grace so that it embraced not only all humanity but all creation. The Apostle Paul had it, and with all the emphasis which he gives to predestination, he declares that God willeth that all men be saved, "especially they that believe."

ART AND ARTISTS.

Franklin W. Smith, of Boston, is still agitating the establishment of a national gallery of history and art in Washington, to cost ultimately $10,000,000.

Hugh Copp, the 12-year-old son of Mrs. Ellen Rankin Copp, a well-known sculptor of Chicago, has modeled a panel showing a number of brownies in a hurdle race.

A small but fine painting of Marie Antoinette, which was taken from the St. Cloud Palace at the time of the Commune by a German officer, is offered for sale in Dusseldorf for $5,000.

There is but one portrait of Leo XIII in marble, says a London paper, and it is a bust made to Signor Gallo of the Vatican Museum. He has been painted by Lembach, Chartran and Bon, of Venice.

From 1,500 to 2,000 Americans are studying in Paris. The majority of these are studying painting; some few architecture or sculpture; some singing, while still others are taking this wise method of learning French.

The Khedive has opened the forty-six new galleries of the Ghizeh Museum, which have been added to the forty-five previously existing. The splendid collection of Egyptian antiquities begun forty years ago is now for the first time exhibited to the public in its entirety.

The Emperor of Austria has paid $5,000 for a painting by Schindler, lately deceased, which he saw at the Kunstlerhaus, in Vienna, at an exhibition arranged for the benefit of the artist's family. The picture is called "Pax," and represents a cemetery among the hills, with ivy and dark cypresses about the tombs. The only figure is a monk putting out a torch.

An old painting of Washington and his family, by Edward Savage, who painted it in Philadelphia in 1793, is on exhibition in New York. It is shown in its original frame, which is hand carved. This picture was removed in 1840 from the New England Museum of Boston to the old Boston Museum, where it remained for over fifty years. It is now owned by William R. Havemeyer, who is well known as a Washingtonian collector.

WORDS OF CHEER.

A warm heart makes a bright face.

A happy nature is a noble heritage.

The lowly look farther than the lofty.

A good work is a happy thought matured.

It is less difficult to alter our faith than our feelings.

A light shines brightest and farthest in the darkest night.

If we notice we may find as much sunshine as shadow in life.

Kindness does not thrive garnered in a lump, but grows as it spreads.

Some lives get so tangled that only death can smooth out the snarls.

Germany leads in spectacle-wearers.

EXTRAVAGANCE OF THE SUN.

Its Heat Being Expended at a Tremendous Rate.

It goes without saying that the welfare of the human race is necessarily connected with the continuance of the sun's beneficent action. It becomes, therefore, of the utmost interest to inquire whether the sun's heat can be calculated on indefinitely. Here is, indeed, a subject which is literally of the most vital importance so far as organic life is concerned. If the sun ever ceases to shine then must it be certain that there is a term beyond which human existence, or, indeed, organic existence of any type whatever, can not any longer endure on the earth. We may say once more for all that the sun contains just a certain number of units of heat, actual or potential, and that he is at the present moment shedding that heat around with the most appalling extravagance. No doubt the heat hoard of the sun is so tremendous that the consequences of his mighty profusion do not become speedily apparent. They are, indeed, it must be admitted, hardly to be discerned within the few brief centuries that the sun has been submitted to human observation.

But, a writer in the *Fortnightly Review* says, we have grounds for knowing as a certainty that the sun can not escape from the destiny that sooner or later overtakes the spendthrift. In his interesting studies of this subject Prof. Langley gives a striking illustration of the rate at which the solar heat is being squandered at this moment. He remarks that the great coal fields of Pennsylvania contain enough of the precious mineral to supply the wants of the United States for a thousand years. If all that tremendous accumulation of fuel were to be extracted and burned in one vast conflagration the total quantity of heat that would be produced would no doubt be stupendous, and yet, says this authority, who has taught us so much about the sun, all the heat developed by that terrible coal fire would not be equal to that which the sun pours forth in the thousandth part of each single second. When we reflect that this expenditure of heat has been going on not alone for the centuries during which the earth has been the abode of man, but also for those periods which we can not estimate, except by saying that they are doubtless millions of years during which there has been life on the globe, then indeed we begin to comprehend how vast must have been the capital heat with which the sun started on its career.

Fishing for Tarantulas.

The giant spider known as the tarantula is nowhere more plentiful or deadly than in California, and it is considered quite a feat to capture one alive. A gentleman making a tour of the Golden State managed to catch three in one spot in a singular manner.

"I had several interesting experiences," he said, "but the most interesting was the capture of these tarantulas. I had long wished to see them in their native state, and, being in the land which their very presence renders dangerous, I constantly carried a spool of thread, a bit of flannel and a bottle of chloroform.

"I was walking in an orange grove about ten miles from the coast, one afternoon, when I saw one of the ugly things just creeping from beneath a large log that was half buried in the sandy soil. I jumped upon the log, so the insect could not crawl up my leg, and then dropped my baited thread. He immediately accepted the challenge and hastily caught at the flannel.

"I half lost my balance just then, and I jostled the log to retain my position. The happening came near being serious for me, as two of the most ferocious-looking fellows rushed out, and all three attacked the flannel, and before I had the one entangled, they started upward at a most alarming rate of speed. In some manner or other I was able to retain my presence of mind, and with a cane knocked the uppermost to the ground.

"The remaining two were fighting most viciously, and, as I gradually let out the thread, became entangled, and by the time the third was at the writhing little mass, they were safe from working any harm.

"The third made another attack, and I soon held a trio of squirming, writhing tarantulas; and then dropping them in a can, I saturated my handkerchief in chloroform, and in half an hour had these three, which are the finest specimens of the insect I have yet seen."

Codfish Mines.

An old sailor to the artic regions has been telling how he misses really cold weather down this way:

"'Tain't the kind of air I'm used ter," he said. "I don't believe I'll ever get what I want this side of the Labrador. You don't have to fish for cod down to the Labrador. You just gits a pick and shovel and mines 'em, just mine 'em out of the icebergs. They're frozen in fast. Some of 'em have been in there for a million years, more or less. They got catched up some time and just frozen in. A whaling man 't knows his business can tell off-hand where he'd strike paying lead. He lands a crew on a berg, and they cut a level place to stand on, and then just open galleries into the ice. You find the cod in seams like coal. I never worked in a coal pit, but I've had the thing explained to me, and it's about the same. The cod were swimming around, and a layer of them got frozen. Then would come a layer of plain ice underneath, without any trimmings, and afterward another layer of cod. It's colder work than fishing, cod mining is, but the returns are quicker. There are mines down to the Labrador that have been worked for years and years, and still they have never run out. The Yaks—them's the Eskimos—know where the best cod mines are, and they won't tell, but the whalers know a thing or two, likewise. I'm a whaler myself."

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